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The USIB Watch Committee

- 1. The Watch Committee continued to carry out its review for USIB of all indications of hostilities involving the US, its forces, and its allies. The Committee made several changes in the format of the weekly Watch Report and increased its efforts to come up with a forward-looking judgment on each of the major situations covered in the report.
- 2. The Committee also shortened the Watch Report by cutting down the amount of factual back-up information in the report. Discussions took place between Richard Lehman, Acting Chairman of the Watch Committee, and Lt. Gen. John R. Deane, Jr., Deputy Director of DIA, toward this end.
- 3. In addition, the community devoted considerable attention to various suggestions for improving the warning machinery, including a number of proposals to change certain procedures and staffing of the Watch Committee. Extensive interagency discussions have taken place on this subject, and certain changes may be brought about during the coming year.

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